



Coburg West Primary School

Friday 20th March

CWPS ACTIVITY CALENDAR

DATE	ACTIVITY	DETAILS
TERM 1		
March		
Wednesday 25 th	World Of Maths Incursion	Grades 3 & 4
	Food Bank Fundraiser	Gold Coin Donation – casual dress
Thursday 26 th	Port Phillip Bay Eco Centre	Gr 5
	GRIP Young Leaders Day	Selected Students
Friday 27 th	Moonlight Cinema	Community Group Event
April		
Thursday 2 nd	Last Day of Term 1	2:30pm Dismissal
TERM 2		
Monday 20 th	First Day of Term 2	9:00am Start
Wednesday 22 nd	Information Session & Tour	9:30am & 6:30pm In the Hall
Thursday 30 th	Animal Land Excursion	Grades 1 & 2
May		
Friday 1 st	Mum's Night Out	Fundraising Event Hotel Railway, Brunswick
Wednesday 6 th	Grade 5 Camp	Silvan
Wednesday 20 th	School Photos	Whole School
June		
Friday 5 th	Curriculum Day	Student Free Day
Friday 26 th	Last Day of Term 2	2:30pm Dismissal

VICTORIAN SCHOOL TERM DATES FOR 2026

	STARTS	ENDS	LAST DAY DISMISSAL
TERM 1	Wednesday 28 th January	Thursday 2 nd April	2:30pm Dismissal
TERM 2	Monday 20 th April	Friday 26 th June	2:30pm Dismissal
TERM 3	Monday 13 th July	Friday 18 th September	2:30pm Dismissal
TERM 4	Monday 5 th October	Friday 18 th December	1:30pm Dismissal

Dear School Community,

This first school term is nearly done and while it has been a busy start, our students and staff have done a wonderful job settling into their teaching and learning.

STOPWORK ACTION Tuesday 24th March

As advised via COMPASS, our school will be significantly impacted, with the majority of staff (teachers and other employees) not available onsite on this day.

We anticipate prioritising attendance for children of critical service workers or families with special circumstances who are unable to make alternative arrangements. To assist us with planning, it would be helpful if families could let us know their current intention regarding whether their child will attend school on Tuesday 24 March. This is simply to help us understand the likely number of students and plan accordingly.

Due to the very limited number of teachers onsite, the school will operate a supervision only program, rather than a normal teaching and learning program.

If your child is likely to attend school on Tuesday 24th March, please notify us by email at coburg.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au by midday Monday 25th March 2026. We ask you use the subject line *Attendance Tuesday 24th March*.

SRC Support Foodbank

Our Student Representative Council (SRC) have hit the ground running this year with their first whole school event scheduled for this Wednesday 25th March. Foodbank are a charitable organisation who supports our school by supplying a range of food items that we use to ensure every child in our school has access to healthy snacks, brain food and lunch when they have forgotten theirs or simply need it. To show our appreciation, SRC have planned an out of uniform fundraiser for Wednesday. Students can come to school dressed in purple (Foodbanks colour) or dressed to represent their favourite food item. Those students out of school uniform are asked to contribute a gold coin donation, with all funds raised donated back to Foodbank.

Moonlight Cinema Returns to CWPS

Next Friday night (27th March) our first major social event for this year returns to our school grounds. The CWPS Community Group will be hosting Moonlight Cinema in the back playground. If you have not yet done so, be sure to get your tickets via Qkr or at the gate on the evening. The flyer following in this newsletter provides more information. Note, there is also a flyer for the upcoming 'Mums Night Out'.

Respect for School Staff

I wish to remind all families of our school's Respect for School Staff Policy which you can read [HERE](#) or go to our website. This policy is also supported by the Department of Education to protect our staff in their workplace.

NAPLAN Complete

Over the past fortnight, our students in grades 3 and 5 completed the NAPLAN testing for this year. Despite a nationwide glitch on the first day, it was nice to see everyone taking it in their stride and working through each test in a calm and mature manner. We are very fortunate that your voluntary contributions assist in ensuring we have the laptops and systems in place to support the completion of these online tests. As of Wednesday, 343 tests were submitted by CWPS and 99.75% of tests are complete. Thank you to Mr Copping for coordinating the testing period and the relevant classroom teachers and Educational Support staff for supporting our students through these assessments.

So Many Little Visitors to CWPS

Each Monday morning over the last few weeks, we have welcomed many families with little ones to our 'Little Sparks Club'. This club is for children between three and five years of age and each week they get to experience what our school is about. Not only are these 'Little Sparks' developing their social skills and confidence, but they are also forming new friendships as they participate in a range of activities each week. I must thank Ms Amerena for leading this program, the grade six Student Leaders who support the little ones, and various staff members who help lead each week.

This week we also welcomed the four-year-olds from Doris Blackburn Kindergarten into our school. They came on an excursion to explore our school, as they worked and played, all the while supported by Buddies from our grade three cohort. Our students are to be commended for the care and support they demonstrated in working with their Kinder Buddies.

Enrolment tours for families who are very keen to join our school community have continued over this term. If you have friends, family or neighbours who are looking to enrol their first child in school for 2027, please encourage them to call the office and book in for their personalised enrolment tour.

Also to note (as per the flyer later in this Newsletter), we will be holding our Open Day for new families, on Wednesday 22nd April, with sessions at 9:30am or 6:30pm. Families can register for these sessions which include an information briefing followed by a school tour.

Alternatively, if you have a child ready to start school in 2027, please feel free to collect your enrolment pack from the front office.

I look forward to seeing many of you at our Moonlight Cinema next Friday night.

**Kind regards,
Mark COLAGRANDE
PRINCIPAL**

FOODBANK FUNDRAISER

Next Wednesday 25th

Dress up as your favourite food

OR dress in purple.

Gold Coin donation



CWPS VALUES CERTIFICATES

We Are **Learners** / We Are **Respectful** / We Are **Safe** / We **Care**

Grade	Student	Value	Student	Value	Presented by
00D	Atticus	We Care	Teddy C.	We Care	Ms. Zschunke
00L	Angus	We Care	Ediz C	We Are Respectful	Ms. Lebon/ Mr. Robinson
1C	Riley	We Care	Hugo	We Are Learners	Ms. Corn
1S	Jasper	We Are Respectful	Ella	We Are Learners	Ms. Saville/Ms. Sztrajt
2S	Joey	We Are Respectful	Oliver M.	We Are Learners	Ms. Spiteri/ Ms. Amerena
2P			Owen	We Are Respectful	Ms. Preston
3M	Zoe R. Reuben B.	We Are Respectful We Care	Mina	We Are Learners	Ms. McKenzie/ Ms. Currie
3P	Indra Fletcher	We Are Respectful We Are Respectful	Arabella	We Are Learners	Mr. Peric
4A	Archer	We Are Learners	Henry S.	We Care	Mr. Aitken
4F			Erin	We Care	Ms. Fonte De Vos
5E	Fraser M.	We Are Learners	Mila T.	We Are Learners	Ms. Esposito
5T			Neve G.	We Are Learners	Mr. Torpey
6O	Taylor S.	We Are Learners	Philip V.	We Are Respectful	Mr Oberbichler
6R	Molly M.		Chloe	We Care	Ms. Rigby
P.E.	Marcella P.	We Are Safe	Hannah M.	We Are Learners	Mr. Harvey
V. Arts /Italian	Benjamin C.	We Are Safe	Alex	We Are Learners	Ms. DiVincenzo/ Ms. Peterson
P. Arts			Dorothy L.	We Care	Ms. Sommer
STEM	Angus G.	We Are Learners	Oliver M.	We Are Learners	Mr. Robinson

CWPS GOOD CITIZENS

These students are acknowledged and thanked by their House Captains for being Good Citizens by exhibiting positive behaviours which reflect our School Values.

	13 th March	20 th March
Green House	Ayla B. 1C	Maggie 2S
Red House	Ivy B. 5E	Edie 1S
Gold House	Huon L. PD	Mae PD
Blue House	Isaac B. 5E	Max PL

Italian/Visual Arts - Foundation



Our amazing Foundation students have been busy creating artwork in the Art Room. We are excited to share their beautiful, colourful and unique self portraits, which celebrate each student's individuality and creativity. In this activity, students focused on using colour, lines and shapes to express their ideas and represent themselves in their artwork.

Students have also been learning the parts of the body in Italian, introduced through a story and song about Pinocchio. You might like to practise these words at home with your child by sharing the story, [Ecco Pinocchio](#).

Italian words we learned:

- Gli occhi - eyes
- Il naso - nose
- La bocca - mouth
- Le mani - hands
- Le gambe - legs

Please feel welcome to wander in and out of the Art room where student work is displayed.

Nadia Di Vincenzo

Italian/Visual Arts Specialist teacher



2026 PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

I hope that everyone received their Premier's Reading Challenge login details and instructions of how to login, they were distributed as hard copies recently. If your child/ren's login details have been misplaced between school and home, please email the school at coburg.west.ps@education.vic.gov.au and address the email to me (Patricia Amerena) and I will forward you those details or message your child's classroom teacher via seesaw.

In the meantime, please encourage your child/ren to participate, we would love to have maximum participation. Although the challenge starts in March, there is no restriction to when your child/ren can start the challenge, join in whenever you please. The important date is **Friday 4th September 2026**, this is when all books must be entered in order to be counted in the total books read during the challenge period.

So, please start reading and adding those books to the site. Thank you and Happy Reading!

Patricia Amerena
English Leading Teacher

COBURG WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL PRESENTS

MOONLIGHT CINEMA

TICKETS - \$40 FAMILY,
\$15 ADULT, \$10 CHILD

STAY TUNED
FOR MOVIE!

FRIDAY 27TH MARCH

Pre purchase tickets via QKR!

AND...
Raffle with amazing
prizes. drawn on the
night. purchase
tickets prior or on
entry!



Entry via back gate on Devon Avenue from 6pm.

Movie starts at dusk (after 7.30pm).

BYO picnic rugs, chairs, beanbags, picnics, drinks etc.

Confectionery Bar will be OPEN serving lollies,

icecreams, popcorn, soft drinks!

PLEASE NOTE: Kids must be under adult supervision at all times

OPEN DAY

ENROL FOR 2027



COBURG WEST PRIMARY SCHOOL

**INFORMATION SESSION
& TOUR**

Wednesday 22nd April

**9:30am or 6:30pm
in the School Hall**



185-187 Reynard Street Coburg



www.cobw.vic.edu.au



9386 1286



**For bookings
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TICKETS *on* SALE!

MUMMS' NIGHT OUT

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fellow mums.

TIX INCLUDE A DRINK ON ARRIVAL, DELICIOUS COCKTAIL-STYLE FOOD,
LIVE MUSIC AND YOUR CHANCE TO WIN SOME FABULOUS PRIZES!



FRIDAY
MAY 1ST
6PM - 11PM

Hotel Railway, Brunswick

HOLIDAY PROGRAM

**Week 1: Tuesday 7th to
Thursday 9th of April**

**Week 2: Monday 13th to
Thursday 16th of April**

Games

Cooking

Art

 **HOLIDAY FUN PROGRAM** 

-  **AFL MAX Excursion**
-  **Jumping Castles & Carnival Day**
-  **Movie Excursion**
-  **Laser Tag Incursion**
-  **Easter Activities**
-  **Sports & Games**

✨ **And so much more!** ✨

Email: 3941-holidayprogram@schools.vic.edu.au

Phone: 0417 032 288

Or come down to OSHC building

HOLIDAY PROGRAM WEEK 1

TUESDAY



EASTER FUN DAY

- Giant Easter Egg Hunt
- Easter Bunny Headbands
- STEM: Egg Drop Challenge (protect the egg!)
- Outdoor "Golden Egg" capture game
- Cooking: Greek Easter biscuits

WEDNESDAY



AFL DAY

- AFL MAX excursion
- Footy skills and group games
- LEGO stadium building challenge
- Switch competitions

THURSDAY



LASER TAG DAY

- Laser Raiders excursion
- Sandcastle competition
- Frozen ice play
- Hockey match
- DIY Kinetic Sand
- Cooking experience : Sausage rolls

HOLIDAY PROGRAM WEEK 2

MONDAY



ULTIMATE CHALLENGE DAY

- Giant Obstacle Course
- Skateboard racing
- Parachute Games
- Tug of War
- Air dry clay
- Cooking experience: Cupcakes

TUESDAY



CARNIVAL AND JUMPING CASTLES

- Jumping castles in gym
- Face painting station
- DIY Carnival Games
- Guess the Lolly Jar
- Popcorn station

WEDNESDAY



STEM SCIENCE DAY

- Slime making
- Magic milk experiment
- DIY Cup Catch game craft
- Switch Just Dance comp
- Cooking: Dumplings

THURSDAY



MOVIE DAY

- Movie excursion with popcorn to see Super Mario Bros Galaxy Movie
- Design a Movie Poster
- Board games / chill zone
- Cooking: Cookie decorating

Victoria Police

Merri-Bek Neighbourhood Policing Forum



VICTORIA POLICE

The Victoria Police Neighbourhood Policing Forum welcomes local services and community members to talk with police about what issues are important in your community.

The forum will explore topics including:

- Current crime trends and crime prevention
- Young people
- Family violence
- Road policing
- Drugs and drug related crime.

The Neighbourhood Policing Forum will be run by a Victoria Police panel and questions will be taken from the audience throughout the event.

Registration is a must.

To attend, please register by sending your details to:

MERRI-BEK-LAC-OIC@police.vic.gov.au

or scan the QR code.

To submit a question prior to the forum:

[Merri-Bek NHP questions](#)

Event details

Date:
23rd April 2026

Time:
6:00pm – 9:00pm
(Doors open 5:45pm)

Location:
Merri-bek Civic Centre
Bagung-bulok & Kulin-bulok rooms
90 Bell Street, Coburg



Scan here to
register your
attendance



Got a question for police?

Scan the QR code to submit
prior to the forum



A SAFE VICTORIA



JOIN WEST COBURG FOOTBALL!



- ✓ HAVE FUN & MAKE FRIENDS!
- ✓ BUILD YOUR SKILLS!
- ✓ ENJOY A GREAT TEAM SPORT!

SIGN UP TODAY!

Register here:

<https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/61816a>

Contact our Junior Coordinator, Raoul:
0416 556 625 or juniors@wcfc.com.au



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Qualified and long serving team offering education and care from nursery to preschool



Nappies, wipes and bed linen provided for your convenience



Spacious and natural outdoor areas that encourage exploration and learning through play



Sustainability program teaches children a sense of responsibility and connection to their world



Nutritious meals created daily by our in-house cook. Halal options available



Stay connected to your child with regular photos, learning observations, and updates on our app



We welcome special guests and community members to the centre based on the children's interests



Regular cultural events reflecting the diversity in our local community



BOOK A TOUR

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 Open weekdays 6:30am to 6:30pm



Community Kids Pascoe Vale Early Education Centre

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**KUMON COBURG WEST
EDUCATION CENTRE**

Instructor: Wafa Kher-Bek
tel: 0403 357 460



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SECONDARY COLLEGE

We have over
100 students in
this year's company
of our upcoming
production

**LEGALLY
blonde**

...and I'm first in
line for hair and
make-up!



Scan to come on a tour!
OR FOLLOW THE LINK IN THE BIO
www.brunswick.vic.edu.au

Save a Date to see Brunswick Secondary College's production of **Legally Blonde**. Clocktower Centre July 23-25. **Tickets on sale in June.**



COBURG HIGH SCHOOL
Open Day
Wednesday 22 April 2026

Explore our:

- classrooms in action, where authentic learning comes to life
- diverse programs, student supports, and learning beyond the classroom
- vibrant school culture, led by inspiring student leaders and staff
- our beautiful school grounds

101 Urquhart St, Coburg 3058
www.coburg.vic.edu.au

SCAN QR CODE
TO REGISTER





MARCELLIN
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OPEN DAY

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SHAPING FUTURES



SUNDAY, 15 MARCH | 11am – 3pm

Principal's Address 11am, 12pm and 1pm

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